



**CALIFORNIA WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD  
ISSUES AND POLICY SPECIAL COMMITTEE  
MEETING NOTICE**



**November 12, 2009  
10:00a.m. – 12:30p.m.**

**KB Home  
10990 Wilshire Blvd.  
Los Angeles, CA**

**Audio Teleconference Site:  
California Workforce Investment Board  
777 12th Street, Suite 200  
Sacramento, CA**

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Governor

Barbara Halsey  
Director

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**AGENDA**

- I. Welcome and Opening Remarks**
- II. Discussion: Draft Committee Charter**
- III. Action: Allocation of ARRA 25 Rapid Response Funds**
- IV. Public Comment**

- Members are encouraged to review meeting materials prior to the Special Committee Meeting**

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Meeting conclusion time is an estimate; meeting may end earlier subject to completion of agenda items and/or approved motion to adjourn. In order for the Committee to provide an opportunity for interested parties to speak at the public meetings, public comment may be limited. Written comments provided to the Committee must be made available to the public, in compliance with the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act, §11125.1, with copies available in sufficient supply. Individuals who require accommodations for their disabilities (including interpreters and alternate formats) are requested to contact the California Workforce Investment Board staff at (916) 324-3425 at least ten days prior to the meeting. TTY line: (916) 324-6523. Please visit the California Workforce Investment Board website at <http://www.cwib.ca.gov> or contact Daniel Patterson for additional information.

**Welcome and Opening Remarks**

**Discussion Item:**

- **Review of Draft Charter**

**DRAFT CHARTER**  
**California Workforce Investment Board**  
**Issues and Policies Special Committee**

An Issues and Policies Special Committee of the California Workforce Investment Board is hereby created and chartered as follows:

**Membership**

The members of the committee are:

**Chair:** Edward Munoz

**Vice Chair:** to be elected by members (or selected by the Committee Chair)

Larry Fortune

Victor Franco

Faye Huang

Elvin Moon

Stella Premo

Richard Rubin

Barry Sedlik

Audrey Taylor

Adam Peck – (CA Workforce Association Issues Committee Chair)

Stewart Knox, NoRTEC Local Workforce Investment Board

Felicia Flournoy, Riverside County Local Workforce Investment Board

Tim Rainey

**Purpose**

The purpose of the committee is to consider proposed policies impacting the delivery of workforce development services under the Federal Workforce investment Act, to hear and deliberate on issues which influence workforce development services to business and job seeking customers in California, and guide the strategic thinking of the California Workforce Investment Board and broader workforce system. The Issues and Policies Special Committee will consider issues, deliberate on policy development and make recommendations to the State Board for its consideration and ratification. At the direction of the Chair of the State Board, the Committee shall:

- Review and develop statewide policies affecting provision of workforce development services.
- Review and provide input on WIA Waiver Requests for recommendation to the State Board and submission to the Department of Labor
- Review and provide input on other guidance provided to local workforce investment areas
- Provide input and review of the WIA State Strategic Plan, Annual Report, and other plans and reports as deemed necessary by the Chair of the State Board

- Act as a clearinghouse for issue discussions on the state's economic environment for the purpose of identifying emerging issues and recommending actions that contribute to the continuous improvement of the statewide workforce development system and alignment of the workforce system partners
- Assist other Special Committees with the implementation of sector strategies/initiatives by developing policy framework consistent with a state sector strategy approach.
- Provide for cross-system collaboration in developing policy issue papers for the State Board's consideration

### Staff Support

Staff support shall be provided by California Workforce Investment Board staff members.

### Decision Making

A majority of the committee members present will be needed to constitute a quorum. A majority vote of those present shall be necessary to approve actions.

### Meetings

Meetings shall be held at least quarterly prior to the regularly scheduled State Board meeting or more frequently as determined by the Chair.

**Discussion Item:**

- **Allocation of ARRA 25% Rapid Response Funds**

**Distribution of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA)  
Dislocated Worker Funds Policy**

**Recommended Action**

The State Board adopt a temporary policy revision permitting EDD to allocate the remaining ARRA 25% Dislocated Worker funding on a formula allocation basis.

**Background**

The Workforce Investment Act (WIA) of 1998 Sections 101(38), 112(b)(17)(A)(ii) and 134(a)(2)(A), as implemented by the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Sections 665.300 through 665.330, require the State to provide funds for Rapid Response and Additional Assistance to Local Areas which experience a demand for services that exceeds the capacity of existing resources. These funds are apportioned from the WIA Dislocated Worker 25% funding stream. The current State Board policies, published in Directives [WIAD02-13](#), [WIAD05-18](#) and [WSD07-3](#), specify that 50% of the funds are to be allocated based on a formula for providing Rapid Response services and competitively solicited projects. The remainder of these funds is retained at the State level to provide Additional Assistance funding through an application process. The Additional Assistance funds must be used to provide services to dislocated workers.

The State has already distributed the formula and Rapid Response portions of both the WIA and ARRA allotments. However, local communities continue to experience significant increases in the numbers of dislocated workers seeking services due to California's rapidly changing economy, while ARRA Dislocated Worker funds remain available at the state level.

The ARRA guidance stipulates that the funds are to be used in the most expeditious manner possible in order to substantially increase the number of customers served and trained. To ensure compliance with the Congressional intent of ARRA, there is a need to distribute these funds as expeditiously and effectively as possible. The current application procedures do not permit such an expeditious distribution.

In October, the staff of the California Workforce Investment Board and Employment Development Department met with stakeholders to discuss this issue. It was the consensus of the group that the remaining ARRA Dislocated Worker funds should be immediately distributed via a formula allocation rather than using the current application processes required by State policy.

Implementing this recommendation will require a temporary and limited policy change applicable only to these ARRA funds. Staff recommends that this policy change contain the following elements:

- Will only apply through June 30, 2010.

- Recipients will have a “right of refusal” if the additional funds are not needed.
- Funding must be spent predominantly on training services.
- Funding cannot be transferred to another fund category, i.e., adult funding.
- Priority use of these funds must be to integrate the Wagner-Peyser Act Re-Employment Services clients who need additional training and education services into WIA Title 1B via co-enrollment

## Pro-Con Arguments

### Pros

- Complies with the Congressional intent of ARRA to spend the funds in the most effective and expeditious manner possible, while complying with existing safeguards and oversight activities.
- Would permit the timely distribution of essential funds to local areas to serve dislocated workers.
- Will alleviate the state and local areas of an administrative burden during a period of increased need, which has already been determined to exist by the very nature of the economic situation.

### Cons

- There is a possibility that local areas could be provided funding they could not expend within the limits imposed by ARRA.
- Would not leave any ARRA Dislocated Worker funding available for future unanticipated Additional Assistance requests.

## Proposed Distribution of Funds

Attached is a proposal for the distribution of the remaining \$27,738,361 of WIA/ARRA Dislocated 25% funds based on the WIA Dislocated Worker formula (60%) funds received by each Local Area for program Year 2009-10.

As recommended by the stakeholders who met in October, the Northern California Indian Development Council (NCIDC), the California Labor Federation (CLF), and La Cooperativa (LCC) have also been added to the distribution list. The amounts used in the calculations for NCIDC and CLF are the WIA Rapid Response amounts proposed for those entities for Program Year 2009-10. Since no WIA Rapid Response funds are proposed for LCC for Program Year 2009-10, the amount of Dislocated Worker funding they received for Additional Assistance in Program Year 2008-09 was used. See Item 3, Attachment 2 for formula allocation amounts.



## Proposal for Distribution of Available ARRA Rapid Response

Amounts distributed based on  
the DW 09-10 formula

allocations

SUBGRANTEE CODE	LWIA	FINAL TOTAL	Proposed ARRA RR Allocation
IN SUBGRANTEE CODE ORDER		DW Allocation 2009-10	2009-10
Total Amount of ARRA Rapid Response Available for Distribution			\$27,738,361
ALA	ALAMEDA	\$ 3,117,415	2.38% \$661,005
ANA	ANAHEIM	\$ 878,799	0.67% \$186,402
CON	CONTRA COSTA	\$ 2,601,701	1.99% \$551,716
FET	FOOTHILL	\$ 679,942	0.52% \$144,239
FRS	FRESNO	\$ 5,620,020	4.30% \$1,191,640
GSC	GOLDEN SIERRA	\$ 1,649,537	1.26% \$349,781
HUM	HUMBOLDT	\$ 474,822	0.36% \$100,690
IMP	IMPERIAL	\$ 2,573,918	1.97% \$545,891
KIM	KERN/INYO/MONO	\$ 4,451,569	3.40% \$943,936
KNG	KINGS	\$ 777,022	0.59% \$164,766
LAI	LA CITY	\$ 12,362,005	9.45% \$2,621,275
LAO	LA COUNTY	\$ 10,653,791	8.14% \$2,259,012
LBC	LONG BEACH	\$ 1,780,524	1.36% \$377,519
MAD	MADERA	\$ 729,289	0.56% \$154,503
MAR	MARIN	\$ 518,876	0.40% \$110,121
MEN	MENDOCINO	\$ 341,986	0.26% \$72,397
MER	MERCED	\$ 1,715,640	1.31% \$363,650
MLC	MOTHERLODE	\$ 643,856	0.49% \$136,473
MON	MONTEREY	\$ 2,665,428	2.04% \$565,030
NAP	NAPA	\$ 341,892	0.26% \$72,397
NCC	NO. CENTRAL	\$ 1,724,356	1.32% \$365,592
NOR	NORTEC	\$ 3,229,989	2.47% \$684,860
NOV	NOVA	\$ 1,358,181	1.04% \$287,924
OAK	OAKLAND	\$ 1,727,087	1.32% \$366,146
ORA	ORANGE	\$ 5,374,457	4.11% \$1,139,492
RCH	RICHMOND	\$ 418,622	0.32% \$88,763
RIV	RIVERSIDE	\$ 7,040,567	5.38% \$1,492,879
SAC	SACRAMENTO	\$ 4,919,800	3.76% \$1,043,240
SAN	SANTA ANA	\$ 820,676	0.63% \$173,920
SBA	SANTA BARBARA	\$ 1,121,506	0.86% \$237,718
SBE	SAN BENITO	\$ 296,223	0.23% \$62,689
SBI	SAN BERN CITY	\$ 761,130	0.58% \$161,437
SBO	SAN BERN COUNTY	\$ 5,326,543	4.07% \$1,129,506
SBY	SOUTHBAY	\$ 1,558,208	1.19% \$330,364
SCR	SANTA CRUZ	\$ 1,231,268	0.94% \$261,018
SDC	SAN DIEGO	\$ 8,578,295	6.56% \$1,818,804
SEL	SELACO	\$ 1,191,490	0.91% \$252,696
SFO	SAN FRANCISCO	\$ 2,603,673	1.99% \$551,993
SJC	SAN JOAQUIN	\$ 3,469,711	2.65% \$735,621
SJI	SAN JOSE/SILICON VLY WIA	\$ 4,255,510	3.25% \$902,329
SLO	SAN LUIS OBISPO	\$ 631,679	0.48% \$133,976
SMC	SAN MATEO	\$ 1,682,578	1.29% \$356,715
SOL	SOLANO	\$ 1,488,632	1.14% \$315,663
SON	SONOMA	\$ 1,420,176	1.09% \$301,239
STN	STANISLAUS	\$ 3,108,261	2.38% \$659,063
TUL	TULARE	\$ 2,999,621	2.29% \$636,041
VER	VERDUGO	\$ 964,451	0.74% \$204,432
VNP	VENTURA	\$ 2,761,018	2.11% \$585,557
YOL	YOLO	\$ 729,049	0.56% \$154,503
NCI	NO. CA INDIAN DEV COUNCIL	\$ 153,723	0.12% \$32,731
CLF	CAL LABOR FED (AFL-CIO)	\$ 797,085	0.61% \$168,927
LCC	LA COOPERATIVA	\$ 2,500,000	1.91% \$530,080
TOTAL ALLOCATIONS		\$ 130,821,597	100.00% \$27,738,361

Note: Amounts used for NCI and CLF are proposed 09-10 Rapid Response amounts. The amount shown for LCC is the funding received by LCC during 08-09.

**Public Comment**